

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting
December 27, 2022 – 2:00 p.m.
Fergus County Commissioners
712 W. Main St., Suite 210
Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Butcher, Commissioner Youngbauer, and Clerk Tucek. In person public: see attached sheet.

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 December 9 or 15, 2022 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: none

BID OPENINGS: Stahly Engineering turned in their submission for the RFQ for contracted engineering services; submission packet will be sent to the County Attorney's office for review.

PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Fergus Co Health/Public Health Officer-perm/part-time
- Road & Bridge/District Blade operator-perm/full-time domicile to Denton
- Fergus Co Health/Sanitarian in Training-perm/part or full-time
- Road & Bridge/Crew Member – perm/full-time
- Extension/4-H Program Assistant – perm/full-time
- Fergus County Planning Board – 2 member positions open
- City/County Planning Board – 2 member positions open

ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:

1. Commissioner Butcher and many others thanked Sandy Youngbauer for her years of service to the Board of Commissioners and Fergus County.

DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve the December 27, 2022 claims. Commissioner Youngbauer 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
2. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve **Resolution 30 – 2022** establishing Fergus County's contributions to interment costs for military veterans. Commissioner Youngbauer 2nd; this had been approved in the budget for the year, but needed a resolution. **Motion Passed.**

3. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve **Resolution 31 – 2022** updating Fergus County’s policy on the acquisition and use of credit cards for county business. Commissioner Youngbauer 2nd; Road Supervisor Anderson asked for clarification on this. Commissioners explained why this was needed as some Department Heads had abused the per diem policy that is set and this is being presented to clear up the issues. **Motion Passed.**
4. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve the ROW permit for a cattle guard on Musselshell Trail between sec’s 26 & 27 of T20N, R26E at the request of Kirk Donsbach. Commissioner Youngbauer 2nd; Road Supervisor Anderson explained the permit request. **Motion Passed.**

APPOINTMENTS:

- Commissioner Butcher moved to appoint Edwin Evans to the Weed Board for the Moseman expired position for a first term of 3 years. Commissioner Youngbauer 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
- Commissioner Butcher moved to appoint Sonja Gregory to the Weed Board for the Volf unexpired position for a term of 1 year to finish out the term. Commissioner Youngbauer 2nd; **Motion Passed.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Clerk and Recorder Tucek advised that she recently had a pre-interview and an in-person Cyber-Security third party assessment conducted by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA). This is now a requirement for HB 530. She explained that she couldn’t get a clear answer if it is a county-wide issue or just election specific. The language and questions makes it fall around the county but is specific to Election Administrators. DES, First Call, and Pam Vosen as local IT sat in the assessment as part of Fergus County, along with various other CISA and Homeland Security agents. Fergus County is compliant in this round of 3 years, as the next 2 years will be self-assessments.
2. Road Supervisor Anderson gave appreciation to Greg Benjamin and all of Stahly Engineering for being so easy to work with over the years.

NEXT MEETING DATES:

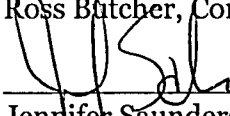
January 3, 2023 Tuesday – 2:00 p.m.	Reorganization meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
January 10, 2023 Tuesday – 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
January 18, 2023 Wednesday – 5:15 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210

Meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:



Ross Butcher, Commissioner



Jennifer Saunders, Commissioner



Carl Seilstad, Commissioner

Attest:



Janel J. Tucek, Clerk & Recorder

