

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting  
February 10, 2022 – 2:00 p.m.  
Fergus County Commissioners  
712 W. Main St., Suite 210  
Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Butcher, Commissioner Youngbauer, Commissioner Seilstad, & Clerk and Recorder Janel Tucek. In person public: see attached sheet. Via phone: Brandon and Lindsey with MDOT.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Youngbauer called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Agenda amended to add addendum agreement for City Attorney to Discussion Action section with no objections. Agenda approved as amended.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Youngbauer asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 minutes and the February 4<sup>th</sup>, 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:** none

**BID OPENINGS:** none

**PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Family Planning/Clinical RN – perm/part-time
2. Public Health Officer – perm/part-time
3. Disease Intervention Specialist – perm/part-time or full-time
4. Fergus County/City Planning board member outside city limits but within 4 mile radius

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:**

1. MDOT gave a in person presentation and a phone presentation on the progress they have made with the Wolf Creek Bridge west of Denton. Discussion ensued about various aspects of the project. A June 1, 2022 projected completion date at this time.
2. County Planner Pam Vosen advised that the Growth Plan Policy update and revised draft is available on the FC Website for review. March 16<sup>th</sup>, FC Fairgrounds will be another public meeting at 5:30 p.m.
3. Commissioner Butcher advised that he, Commissioner Seilstad and commissioner assistant Tia Seymanski went to various counties in the Eastern part of the state involved in the Junk Vehicle program to present it and the inter-local agreement resolutions that had recently been passed by the FC BOCC. They then continued on around to the

counties around the Fort Peck Lake to discuss sage grouse, weed control, lake levels, and various other topics involving the Corps of Engineers and Fort Peck Lake with the counties surrounding it.

**DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 claims. Commissioner Butcher 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Motion Passed.**
2. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve the inter-local agreement establishing a City-County Health Board. Commissioner Seilstad 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Motion Passed**
3. Commissioner Youngbauer stated that the insurance committee will need to hold a meeting to discuss the MACo HCT renewal. Pam Vosen to set that public meeting up.
4. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve the addendum to agreement regarding City Attorney. Commissioner Seilstad 2<sup>nd</sup>; County Attorney Kent Sipe gave an overview of why this came about. The new City Attorney needs health insurance coverage as the last attorney had Military Insurance. City will provide the insurance and financial amount will be deducted from the attorney invoice from the county to the city. **Motion Passed**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

1. Board of Health – was at first tabled but revisited. There are 6 applicants for the board of five trustee's. All were interviewed and strong candidates. Commissioner Seilstad moved to appoint Laurie Ray as the county's sole choice for a 1 year term to serve at the county's pleasure. Commissioner Butcher 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Motion Passed.**
2. Commissioner Butcher moved to appoint Courtney Moline, Jordin Robins, & Lisa Robinson as their 3 mutual trustees, with Lisa and Jordin to serve at the county's pleasure. Commissioner Seilstad 2<sup>nd</sup>; after discussion, a friendly amendment to the original motion was added that Donna Vantassel would be the alternate to the 3 mutual candidates if the city were to pick Lisa, Jordin, or Courtney as their sole pick. Commissioner Seilstad 2<sup>nd</sup> the friendly amendment; **All Motions Passed**
3. Commissioner Butcher advised that the Council on Aging had 3 applicants for the 2 open positions: Rachel Mueller, Lynn Gies, & Pam DeRosier. COA interviewed and recommended Lynn and Pam be appointed. Commissioner Butcher moved to approve the recommendation from the COA. Commissioner Seilstad 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Motion Passed.**

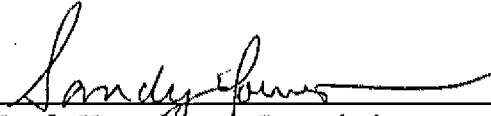
**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** none

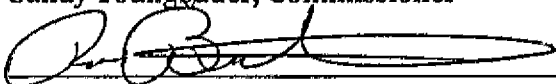
**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

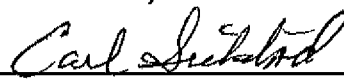
February 16, 2022 Wednesday – 5:15 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
February 25, 2022 Friday – 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
March 10, 2022 Thursday – 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210

Meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

**FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**

  
Sandy Youngbauer, Commissioner

  
Ross Butcher, Commissioner

  
Carl Seilstad, Commissioner

Attest:

  
Janel J. Tucek, Clerk & Recorder

