

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting
October 25, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.
Fergus County Commissioners
712 W. Main St., Suite 210
Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Butcher, Commissioner Seilstad, County Attorney Kent Sipe, Road Supervisor John Anderson, County Planner Pamela Vosen, Planning Assistant Danette Thurman, and Clerk and Recorder Janel Tucek. In person public: see sign in sheet.

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Butcher called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Agenda approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Butcher asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the October 11, 2022 minutes. Hearing none, he 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:

Commissioner Butcher read a statement regarding that their office had received an email message from Christine & Richard Taylor wanting to discuss the boundary line adjustment to their property. The emails were not read by the commissioners, but were intercepted by Fergus Co IT and deleted before the commissioners could read them. The announcement needed to be made advising that such action had been taken as it is illegal for the commission to have prior knowledge of a requested adjustment to a subdivision.

PUBLIC HEARING: Commissioner Butcher opened the hearing at 10:02 a.m. County Planner Vosen discussed the request from the Taylor's to remove the Ag Covenant restriction. 5.7 acres would be removed from Ag use. This piece has existing DQ Approval and covenants that will stay in place on this tract once restrictions are lifted. Requirements/conditions were read through. Hearing closed at 10:08 a.m.

BID OPENINGS: none

PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Fergus Co Health/Public Health Officer-perm/part-time
- Facilities/Grounds & Buildings Custodian-perm/full-time
- Road & Bridge/Crew Member-perm/full-time
- Fergus Co Health/Sanitarian in Training-perm/part or full-time
- Justice Court/Office Clerk-perm/full-time

ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:

- 1. Commissioner Butcher reported that Blaine County advised the Stafford Ferry will be removed October 27th for the winter.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the Taylor Boundary Line Adjustment Minor Subdivision with the conditions read in the public hearing. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
- 2. Commissioner Seilstad moved to appoint John Anderson as the road surveyor on the Road Viewers committee for the Natal Rd abandonment and Vrooman Rd Abandonment between block 21 and block 35 of Lewistown Heights and also John Anderson, Pam Vosen, and Ross Butcher to the Road Viewers Committee. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed.**
Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the October 25, 2022 claims; Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed.**

APPOINTMENTS: Commissioner Seilstad moved to appoint Carly Wheatley to the Central Mt Tourism Regional Board. Commissioner Butcher 2nd; **Motion Passed.**

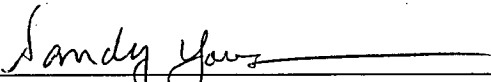
PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: City/County planning board will have 2 openings and County Planning will have 2 openings due to term limits.


NEXT MEETING DATES:

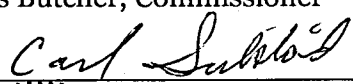
November 10, 2022 Thursday – 10:00 a.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
November 16, 2022 Wednesday – 5:15 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
November 23, 2022 Wednesday – 10:00 a.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

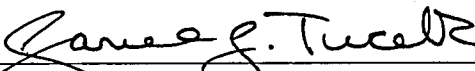
FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:


Sandy Youngbauer, Commissioner


Ross Butcher, Commissioner


Carl Seilstad, Commissioner

Attest:


Janel J. Tucek, Clerk & Recorder

