

Minutes of Fergus County Commissioners Business Meeting

March 15, 2023 – 5:15 p.m.

Fergus County Commissioners

712 W. Main St., Suite 210

Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Butcher, Commissioner Saunders, & Clerk and Recorder Janel Tucek. In person public: see attached. Deb Hill – on phone.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Butcher called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Agenda approved as presented.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Butcher asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the March 10, 2023 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:** none

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Commissioner Butcher opened up the public hearing on Precinct boundary changes due to new House/Senate legislative redistricting. Election Admin Janel Tucek presented maps showing the proposed changes and spoke about the process that is involved. No public commented on proposed changes. Public hearing closed.

**BID OPENINGS:** none

**PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Road & Bridge/District Blade operator-perm/full-time domicile to Denton
- Fergus Co Health/Sanitarian in Training-perm/part or full-time
- Sheriff's Office/Deputy – perm/full-time
- Fairgrounds/Facilities & Events Coordinator-perm/full-time
- DES Coordinator-perm/full-time
- City/County Planning Board – 2 member positions open

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:**

**DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Commissioner Saunders moved to approve **Resolution 7 – 2023** requesting distribution of bridge and road safety and accountability program funds (BARSAA). Commissioner Butcher 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Motion Passed.**
2. Commissioners discussed the county's possibility of purchasing property for the county health departments to all move to and be under one roof. It is the building at 4<sup>th</sup> and Janeaux St and comes with 2 parking areas. Building inspections will occur and other public meetings will be held.

**APPOINTMENTS:** none

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

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

March 23, 2023 Thursday – 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
April 10, 2023 Monday – 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210
April 19, 2023 Wednesday – 5:15 a.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210

Meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

**FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**

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Ross Butcher  
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Jennifer Saunders  
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Carl Seilstad  
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Attest:

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Janet J. Tucek, Clerk & Recorder

