

July 20, 2020 Regular Session of the Beaverhead County Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners, in and for Beaverhead County, Montana, met in session on July 20, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Beaverhead County Courthouse. Present: Chairman C. Thomas Rice, Commissioner Mike McGinley, Commissioner John H. Jackson and their Assistant Cindy Decker.

Updates on County Projects:

Road Supervisor Bob Ferris and Public Works Secretary Jamie Flynn joined the meeting. The Talc Mine got all their Mag Chloride laid down on Stone Creek, Nissen, Carter Creek and Sweetwater.

Bob commented that they have gotten some mowing done and it looks good.

County Attorney Jed Fitch, Sheriff Paul Craft and Facilities Manager Chris Booth joined the meeting.

Jamie stated that Kody Bernard did dust abatement in Lima last week. She was told to bill only for the use of the water truck. The total bill will be for two hours for a total of \$87.62.

Chris stated that the semi-trailer will be leaving the parking lot today.

There was discussion regarding wearing face coverings in the Courthouse. The Governor issued a mandatory face covering directive last Friday.

Paul asked if Downing Lane is a County Road. Jed replied that yes, it is. There is someone who has dug some speed trenches in the road. Mike will ask Tracy for something in writing stating that it is indeed a county road. Deputy Wyrick will contact the individual and ask him to fill in the ruts and warn him that if he does it again, he will be cited.

Jed Fitch recommended his choice for the new victim advocate.

MOTION: Commissioner Jackson moved and Commissioner McGinley moved that Kayla Patrick be hired as the new Beaverhead County Victim Advocate. A verbal vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the July 13, 2020 meeting were read and the following motion was made:

MOTION: Commissioner Jackson moved and Commissioner McGinley seconded that the minutes of the July 13, 2020 meeting be approved. A verbal vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments on Subjects Under County Jurisdiction Not on Agenda

Recess Commission meeting for 911 meeting

Reconvene Commission meeting

Recess

At 12:00 noon, Chairman Rice recessed the meeting. At 1:30 p.m., Chairman Rice reconvened the meeting with Commissioner McGinley, Commissioner Jackson and their Assistant Cindy Decker present.

Preliminary Budget Discussion

Sheriff Paul Craft joined the meeting to discuss his budget line item 940. He is concerned what will happen if he is not reimbursed from the Feds as it was cut back significantly. He asked what his options are. Mike advised him to check back with him later this week.

Landfill Manager Larry Laknar also joined the meeting to discuss his budget. He wanted to discuss the possibility of bringing back cardboard recycling.

Dillon resident George Warner joined the meeting to speak with the commissioners.

At this time, the commissioners discussed the Preliminary Budget together.

Unfinished Business/Other Topics of Discussion:

Commissioner Rice reported that at the last Board of Health Meeting on July 17, the Board discussed and voted on three Labor Day Events. The results of that meeting are as follows:

- Rodeo was **approved** with a vote of 5 – 2
- Fair was **approved** with a vote of 7 – 0
- Concert was **NOT approved** by a vote of 2 – 5

Routine matters occupied the attention of the Board for the remainder of the day.

Payment of Invoices:


The Commissioners reviewed and approved invoices for a total of \$204,913.02, beginning with check #205072 and ending with check #205176. The Invoice Payment Schedule is located in the Financial Administrator's Office.

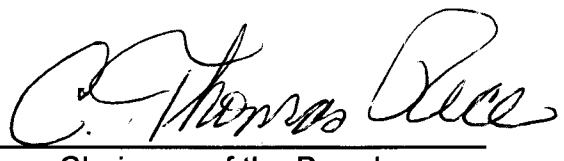
Public Comments on Subjects Under County Jurisdiction:

There were no public comments.

Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Attest: 
Clerk of the Board

Approved: 
Chairman of the Board