

May 2, 2022 Regular Session of the Beaverhead County Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners, in and for Beaverhead County, Montana, met in session on May 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Beaverhead County Courthouse. Present: Chairman Michael J. McGinley, Commissioner C. Thomas Rice, Commissioner John H. Jackson and their Assistant Cindy Decker.

Pledge of Allegiance

At this time, those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance aloud to begin the day.

Updates on County Projects

Road Supervisor Bob Ferris joined the meeting. There is still snow to be plowed across the county. They are blading where the moisture has hit.

Superintendents of Schools Mike Miller, Planner Rob Macioroski, Facilities Jim Sivils, Casey Elliott from the Tribune, DES/Land Sanitarian Tom Wagenknecht, Sheriff Paul Craft, Food Sanitarian Joyce Pollastro, GIS Coordinator Tracy Sawyer, Jail Commander Dan Fields, Dillon resident Joey Heard, Deputy Clerk & Recorder Kelsey Swartsfager and Clerk & Recorder Stacey Reynolds joined the meeting.

Dan commented that the hiring committee recommends that Joey Heard be hired as the new detention officer. Dan feels that Joey will be a good fit for our Detention Center.

MOTION: Commissioner Rice moved and Commissioner Jackson seconded that Joey Heard be hired as the new full time Detention Officer. A verbal vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Tom W. said the septic business is still very busy. He attended a conference in Kalispell last week and a guy from FEMA did presentations and it was interesting. He said that there will most likely be a shortage of personnel and equipment when the fire season hits. He and Nick Hoem will be attending a Landfill Manager Operations training to get certified.

Rob said that there will be a Minor subdivision reviewed by the Planning Board this week. He is hoping to get Cornell Park into the hands of FWP through subdivision.

Joyce said that she has been doing inspections; in fact, 80 this year. She has taken her final Microbiology test and will receive the results soon.

Mike will be back later this morning to do the Isolation Status for Grant. Tomorrow he will be going to Wisdom, Polaris and Jackson with the professor from UMW that runs the Rural Fridays Program.

He will be gone Thursday and Friday for training at Gardiner. Next week Reichle School graduates and one of the 8th graders has personally asked Mike to attend so he will be going to that.

Jim said that the flowers and soil are ordered for the Courthouse grounds; they are just waiting for the temperatures to warm up during the nights.

Tracy said that Maurer needs to get figured out. A letter was received from NPR saying that their radio has been stolen from up there. He will get together with Paul soon.

McGinley asked Tracy to send an email to the Facilities selection committee to meet this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

The following Road Department Report was submitted and scanned into the minutes: