

**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
McCONE COUNTY, MONTANA
CIRCLE, MONTANA
Monday, May 4, 2020**

At the hour of 8:30 a.m., the Board of Commissioners of McCone County, Montana, met in regular session with Alan Stempel, Ty Taylor and James Moos present. Presiding Officer Alan Stempel called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. The agenda was approved as amended to add the COVID 19 Grant Application for Public Health.

The April 27, 2020 minutes were approved as read.

Allen Rosaaen, South Road Foreman, met with the Board to discuss the Wright pit gravel permit status, Watkins Road and road repairs.

The Board met with Nita Crockett, Treasurer; Savannah Hanson, Clerk of Court; and Sherry Kluth, Clerk and Recorder, to discuss reopening the courthouse doors. The Board approved the reopening of the courthouse with the recommendation to minimize the number of patrons in each office in order to maintain social distancing. The Board recognized the outstanding service provided by each office during the period when the courthouse doors were locked due to COVID 19.

Tim Sorley, North Road Foreman, met with the Board to discuss equipment, road repairs and gravel pits.

There were no Committee Reports

The Board reviewed and approved the payroll for the month of April, 2020. Voucher #10 for warrants #82956 through #82967 was issued in the amount of \$18,623.72. Voucher #1037 for automatic deposits in the amount of \$73,112.67 for a total payroll of \$91,736.39 was reviewed and approved. **(Copies of the voucher and payroll register are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Payroll Deduction Voucher #1038 for warrants #82968 through #82970 in the amount of \$29,514.79 was reviewed and approved. **(A copy of the voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed and approved county claims for the month of April, 2020. Voucher #1039 for warrants #78457 through #78532 for the amount of \$127,310.70 was signed at this time. **(A copy of the claim register and voucher are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The officers' reports for April, 2020 were reviewed and approved for the Sheriff, Clerk of Court, Justice Court, and Clerk and Recorder. **(Copies of the reports are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed and approved timesheets for April, 2020 for the employees and department heads under the supervision of the County Commissioners.

The Board reviewed the COVID 19 Grant Application for Public Health. Commissioner Moos moved to approve the application and Commissioner Taylor seconded. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of Application is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the Agricultural Covenant for Beery Farms, Inc. Commissioner Moos moved to approve the covenant and Commissioner Taylor seconded. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the covenant is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the request for reimbursement for the Circle/County Airport FAA Grant. Commissioner Taylor moved to approve the AIP 3-30-0016-009-2018 Request for Reimbursement #12 and Commissioner Moos seconded. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the request for reimbursement is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Mike Fritz met with the Board to discuss agriculture issues.

Nancy Stempel, GIS Coordinator met with the Board to provide an update on the MLIA Grant and the 911 Grant. Commissioner Stempel abstained from the discussion.

The meeting was opened to public participation at 1:00 p.m.

Ken Nelson, Extension Agent; and Scott Heide, Weed Supervisor, met with the Board to discuss spraying requests and personnel issues. The Board approved spraying near the football field to support graduation activities.

Wendell Pawlowski, Museum Curator, met with the Board to discuss reunion issues and museum issues.

John Logan met with the Board to discuss the possibility of establishing a Cemetery District for the Brockway Cemetery.

Suzie Wagner, Maintenance/Custodian, met with the Board to discuss building repairs and cleaning supply issues.

The Board approved the request to use County land near the Fairgrounds for the McCone Electric Annual Meeting.

Correspondence occupied the Board the remainder of the day.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The minutes are also available on the Commissioner page of the McCone County website at www.mcconecountymt.com.

McCone County Commissioners

Attest:
(Seal)

Alan Stempel, Presiding Officer

Maridel L. Kassner, Clerk and Recorder