

**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
McCONE COUNTY, MONTANA
CIRCLE, MONTANA
Monday, February 6, 2023**

At the hour of 9:00 a.m., the Board of Commissioners of McCone County, Montana, attended the Safety meeting.

At the hour of 10:00 a.m., the Board of Commissioners of McCone County, Montana, met in regular session with Alan Stempel, Ty Taylor, and Lonny Jensen present. Presiding Officer Alan Stempel called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was recited. The agenda was approved.

The January 23, 2023 minutes were approved as read.

Commissioner Stempel reported on the Eastern Montana Mental Health Center Board meeting he attended, in Miles City, on January 26, 2023.

Commissioner Stempel reported on the Pipeline Meeting he attended, in Glendive, on January 31, 2023.

The Board reviewed and approved the payroll for the month of January, 2023. Voucher #8 for warrants #83350 and #83351 was issued in the amount of \$2,440.50. Voucher #1025 for automatic deposits in the amount of \$114,956.19 for a total payroll of \$117,396.69 was reviewed and approved. **(Copies of the voucher and payroll register are on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Payroll Deduction Voucher #1026 for warrant #83352 through warrant # 83354 in the amount of \$33,809.58 was reviewed and approved. **(A copy of the voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed and approved timesheets for January, 2023 for the employees and department heads under the supervision of the County Commissioners.

The officers' reports for January, 2023 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.)**

Allen Rosaaen, South Road Foreman, Cary Phillips, Lead Man, Dave Boysun, Dan Curtiss, and Sam Douglas, met with the Board to discuss road issues, gravel pits, and personnel issues. The Board approved the purchase of a fuel tank for the North Road shop for approximately \$600.

Keri Taylor, DES Coordinator, met with the Board to discuss supply and DES issues. Commissioner Taylor abstained from the discussion.

Dave Kasten met with the Board to discuss the county's potential acquisition of the Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery, S15, T19N, R48E, .382 Acres in SE4NE4 (Cemetery) by Quit Claim Deed. **(A copy of the Quit Claim Deed is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Dr. Farr, Superintendent Consultant for Circle Schools, by phone, and Cary Phillips, met with the Board, to discuss the potential land exchange for the football field. **(A copy of the exchange paperwork is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

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

Nancy Stempel, GIS Coordinator, met with the Board to discuss a GIS system that will improve GPS accuracy. Commissioner Stempel abstained from the discussion.

Jacque Gardner, MCHC Administrator, and Brianna Vine, GNDC, by phone, met with the Board to discuss the CDBG Grant status.

Angie Belus, Circle Insurance Agency, met with the Board to discuss the county's property and insurance coverage.

The Board reviewed the Farmer's Union Oil contract. The Board tabled a decision on the contract. **(A copy of the contract is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the Tourism Grant for the Museum. The Board signed the grant. **(A copy of the grant is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board reviewed the Worker's Compensation Rating Report. The Board signed the report. **(A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Keri Taylor, DES Coordinator, and Savannah Hanson, Clerk of Court, met with the Board to discuss the potential review of the County Policy Manual. A committee will be formed to review the manual and submit recommendations for changes.

The Board reviewed and approved county claims for the month of January, 2023. Voucher #1027 for the amount of \$788,500.08 was signed at this time. **(A copy of the claim register and voucher is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

The Board read the Budget Authority Resolution for capital outlay funds. Commissioner Taylor moved to approve Resolution #23-02-06(A) and Commissioner Jensen seconded. The motion passed 3-0. **(A copy of the resolution is on file in the Commissioners' files.)**

Suzette Wagner, Maintenance, met with the Board to discuss building repairs, property accountability, and future plans.

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

Sherry Kluth, Clerk and Recorder