

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting

May 20, 2020 – 2:00 p.m.

Fergus County Commissioners

712 W. Main St., Suite 210

Lewistown, MT 59457

Present: Commissioner Ross Butcher, Commissioner Carl Seilstad and Clerk & Recorder Rana Wichman.  
Commissioner Sandy Youngbauer was absent. Public present: See attached sheet.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Commissioner Butcher called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Seilstad asked to amend the agenda to include the County/Tribal Mental Health Grant (Covid19) under Discussion/Action Items.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Butcher asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the May 11, 2020 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:**

- 1) Public Hearing for Consideration of Discontinuance of Alley next to the Incorporated City of Lewistown in Fergus County, Montana – Alley between Lots 1,2,3,18,19 and 20 in Block 008, Riverdale Addition, S10, T14N, R18E. Commissioner Butcher opened the public hearing. Commissioner Seilstad asked if the alley is within the Lewistown City limits and it was determined it is not. Commissioner Butcher was on the road viewers committee with Road Supervisor John Anderson and County Planner Pam Vosen. The alley is fully contained within Langford's property and doesn't provide public assess or limit access. There are no utility easements. Since there were no other comments, Commissioner Butcher closed the public hearing.

**BID OPENINGS:** None

**PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- 1) Road Department – Full Time Position
- 2) Road Department – Short Term Position
- 3) DES – Deputy DES Coordinator and Deputy Fire Warden

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:** None

**DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1) Consideration of Discontinuance of Alley by the Incorporated City of Lewistown, Fergus County, Montana – Alley between Lots 1,2,3,18,19 and 20 in Block 008, Riverdale Addition, S10, T14N, R18E: Commissioner Seilstad moved to wait until the May 26, 2020 meeting to make a decision on this. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Commissioner Seilstad would like to see if any stipulations could be made regarding cleaning up the property and keeping it to a minimum in the future. Passed unanimously.

- 2) County/Tribal Mental Health Grant (Covid19): Commissioner Seilstad reported that a \$40,000.00 grant was awarded to Fergus County whereby if someone is struggling with COVID19 and having mental health issues \$30,000.00 can be paid to the hospital and \$10,000.00 to the Mental Health Center. The County would make the payments up front and get reimbursed from the grant. Commissioner Seilstad moved to approve the signing of the County/Tribal Mental Health Grant (COVID19). Commissioner Butcher seconded. Passed unanimously.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**

May 26, 2020 Tuesday, 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Treasurer 712 W Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457
June 10, 2020 Tuesday, 2:00 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457
June 17, 2020 Wednesday, 5:15 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457

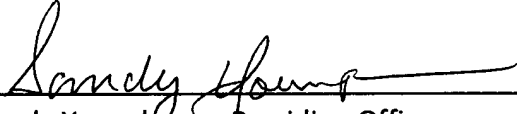
Reminder: Agenda items are due to the Commissioners 5 days prior to the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

**FERGUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**



Attest:

  
Sandy Youngbauer, Presiding Officer

  
Ross Butcher, Commissioner

  
Carl Seilstad, Commissioner

  
Rana J. Wichman, Clerk & Recorder