

Minutes of Fergus Co. Commissioners Business Meeting
March 18, 2020 – 5:15 p.m.
Fergus County Commissioners
712 W. Main St., Suite 210
Lewistown, MT 59457

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Youngbauer called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Youngbauer asked if there were any alterations or corrections to the March 10, 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:

Commissioner Butcher commented that the purpose of the following public hearings on roads is so that each of the roads go to the beginning point to the ending point with no breaks or gaps. By resolution this can be accomplished after the public hearings.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 1) Cotter Bridge Road: Commissioner Youngbauer opened the public hearing. There was no discussion. Commissioner Youngbauer closed the public hearing.
- 2) Sandhill Road: Commissioner Youngbauer opened the public hearing. Jason Deffinbaugh stated he appreciates the use of this road. Commissioner Youngbauer closed the public hearing.
- 3) Sunnyside Road: Commissioner Youngbauer opened the public hearing. Grover Roe and Orville McCracken both stated they regularly use this road. Commissioner Youngbauer closed the public hearing.
- 4) Alaska Bench Road: Commissioner Youngbauer opened the public hearing. Bill Steele stated he uses this road regularly. Gary Lancaster said this road hasn't changed in at least 80 years and is in favor of making it one continuous county road. Commissioner Youngbauer closed the public hearing.
- 5) Roundhouse Road: Commissioner Youngbauer opened the public hearing. There was no discussion. Commissioner Youngbauer closed the public hearing.

BID OPENINGS: None

PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) Weed Department – Temporary Weed Sprayers
- 2) County Attorney – Full Time Legal Assistant
- 3) Facilities / Groundskeeper – Temporary Full Time
- 4) Facilities / Groundskeeper – Permanent Full Time
- 5) Justice Court – Junior Clerk Part Time

ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:

- 1) MACRS Conference has been cancelled.
- 2) John Anderson reported they are busy working on bridges.

DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS:

- 1) Sheriff's Department Collective Bargaining Agreement: Commissioner Butcher moved to approve. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 2) Resolution 12-2020 – County Emergency Declaration Resolution: Commissioner Butcher moved to approve Resolution 12-2020. Commissioner Youngbauer seconded. DES Coordinator Ben Phillips explained that this helps make funds available. Passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS: None

PUBLIC INPUT: None

OTHER BUSINESS: None

NEXT MEETING DATES:

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| March 25, 2020 Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. | Regular Business Meeting | Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457 |
| April 10, 2020 Friday, 2:00 p.m. | Regular Business Meeting | Fergus County Treasurer 712 W Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457 |
| April 15, 2020 Wednesday, 5:15 p.m. | Regular Business Meeting | Fergus County Commissioners 712 W Main St., Suite 210 Lewistown, MT 59457 |

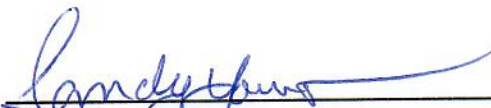
Reminder: Agenda items are due to the Commissioners 5 days prior to the meeting.
Meeting adjourned.

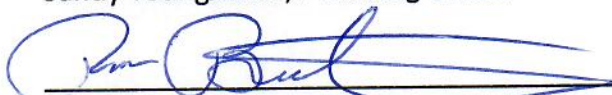
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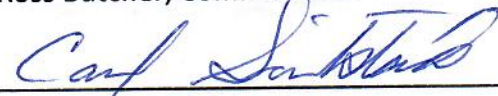


Attest:


Rana J. Wichman, Clerk & Recorder


Sandy Youngbauer, Presiding Officer


Ross Butcher, Commissioner


Carl Seilstad, Commissioner

