JANUARY 14 – 18, 2019

COMMISSIONER MEETINGS

Sweet Grass County Commissioner meetings are held in the office of the county commissioners in the Sweet Grass County Annex in Big Timber, Montana, unless otherwise noted in the minutes. The first Monday of each month a department head staff meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Claims will be reviewed and approved for payment every Thursday unless a conflict arises. At least one commissioner will be in the office from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily unless they are at a conference or a meeting requiring them to be out of the office.

**NOTICE: These minutes reflect the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners. The official minutes are on file with the Clerk and Recorder (MCA 7-4-2611(2)(b).**

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**Monday, January 14, 2019**

All Commissioners are in today. Resolution 01-14-2019 setting the daily rate for payment of costs for use of detention center was read by Clerk and Recorder Pederson. Commissioner Roe made a motion to approve, Commissioner Moody seconded this and it passed with 3 ayes. (See attached resolution) Public Works Director Conner stopped in to discuss road department items and discuss having a safety meeting. Finance Officer Uehling was in to discuss the cash meeting agenda and explain how cash meetings work.

**Tuesday, January 15, 2019**

All Commissioners are in today. Dave Volberg came in and gave his opinion on the wind farm. Julie from Key Insurance was in to talk about the insurance policy renewal. Clerk and Recorder Pederson was in to discuss agenda items for next week. Commissioner Moody went to the county attorney’s office to discuss the vehicle lease program.

**Wednesday, January 16, 2019**

All Commissioners are in today. Finance Officer Uehling was in to talk about the salary survey and general finance issues with the county. Public Works Director Conner was in to give us examples of other county safety policies and discuss a safety program here. The Commissioners went to the Hospitality House for lunch and Commissioner Roe stayed and attended their meeting. Catherine McKenzie was in to set up an appointment with State Fund to discuss safety protocol procedures and workman’s compensation issues.

**Thursday, January 17, 2019**

All Commissioners are in today. Derek Yeager and Matt Wolcott with DNRC were in to talk about their services. The Commissioners had a connect meeting with the Treasurer’s Office. Planner Dringman was in to discuss the road use agreement meeting. Cindy Selensky stopped in to talk about the contract position at the fairgrounds.

At 1:30 p.m. we held a meeting on the Crazy Mtn Wind Road Use Agreement. Those in attendance were: Commissioner Wallace, Commissioner Roe, Commissioner Moody, Clerk and Recorder Pederson, County Attorney Dringman, Public Works Director Conner, Susan Metcalf, Julie Johnson, Christene Bakke, Dick Christ, Robyn Roberts, Claire Simmons, Nolan Lister, Lois Huffman, Rick Jarrett, Johnathan Hettinger, Charles Shawley, Planner Dringman, Marc King, Steve Woodruff, Harv VanWagoner, Cindy Selensky, Jim Hogemark, Brandon Giamanco, Rocky Cosgriff and Kari Cosgriff. Commissioner Wallace made opening statement regarding the Crazy Mtn. Wind road use agreement. Commissioner Roe moved to adopt the road use agreement with Crazy Mtn. Wind as presented, Commissioner Moody seconded this. Commissioner Wallace opened it up to public comment. After public comment Commissioner Roe withdrew the motion following the recommendation from the county attorney to allow time to review the lawsuit filed against the county regarding this. Commissioner Wallace stated the motion was withdrawn so we will post if there is a future meeting. Meeting adjourned. This meeting was recorded and posted on the Sweet Grass County website.

**Friday, January 18, 2019**

All Commissioners are in today. Jared Williams with Nationwide Deferred Compensation Plan gave a presentation to the county employees. Greg Lucas called to express his opinion on the wind farm. The Commissioners went out to Deadman’s Canyon Road to inspect it.

Respectfully submitted

/s/ Vera Pederson

 Board of County Commissioners

 William Wallace, Chairman

Date Approved: February 8, 2019

Attest:

Vera Pederson, Clerk