

SEPTEMBER 6 - 10, 2021
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)).

Monday, September 6, 2021

Labor Day

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

All Commissioners are in today.

A staff meeting was held. Present were Susan Metcalf, Pat Dringman, Cory Conner, Cliff Brophy, Marc King, Alan Ronneberg and Barb Swanson.

Superintendent of Schools Metcalf said schools are up and running and the budgets are all complete. BTGS enrollment is up this year and the Farm Fair is this week at the fairgrounds.

Clerk of Court Swanson reported the numbers for the month. She will be attending school October 5-7th in Butte.

Public Works Director Conner informed us that Neal Indreland turned in his letter of resignation effective October 1, 2021. Gravel is crushed at the Plaggemeyer pit and starting to crush the gravel at the Bue pit. He is assisting Cliff with the generator project at the Civic Center.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy said he has been busy with LEPC, Covid After Action Review meeting, Code Red and the Red Cross updated the Civic Center emergency shelter supplies.

Sheriff Ronneberg reported the numbers for the month. Jason Ferguson is the SRO at the schools, 2 dispatchers are attending school, one officer is attending child death investigation class and they have been patrolling up the Boulder.

Extension Agent King said the fair went well, he has been grading at the packers, testing hay and working on the potato project.

County Attorney Dringman said his office is busy with several new felonies filed.

Commissioner Wallace said they have attended PMC board meeting, LEPC meeting, wind farm meeting, a public meeting with Leon Royer regarding the East Boulder Mine tailings pond, and approved several COS's and encroachment permits.

Commissioner Roe added they attended several fire meetings and signed several incident delegation authority requests. She attended a meeting with the FWP regarding jet boats on the Boulder river.

Tom Schriver and Dan Smart with the American Legion were in for the American Legion grant request. Commissioner Wallace made a motion to grant the American Legion \$50,000 from the Metal Mines Planning and Economic Development Fund. Commissioner Roe seconded this and the motion passed with 2 ayes. Commissioner Moody abstained from the vote because of his current American Legion membership status.

Public Works Director Conner was in to discuss the Caithness/Beavercreek wind farm draft road agreement.

Catherine McKenzie was in to inquire about the parameters on Covid issues and payroll.

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

Commissioner Moody and Wallace are in today and Commissioner Roe was in after lunch.

DES/911 Coordinator Brophy was in to discuss the Emergency Operations Plan.

Commissioner Wallace attended a Custer/Gallatin Working Group meeting via Zoom.

The Commissioners went to the courthouse to look at possible improvements.

Thursday, September 9, 2021

All Commissioners are in today.

Claims and payroll for the week were reviewed and signed.

Fire Chief Novotny was in to get approval for a new fire truck.

Daryl Ehrlick with the Daily Montanan called to talk about the tailings pond at Sibanye-Stillwater Mine.

Heather McDowell from Sibanye-Stillwater Mine also called to discuss the tailings facility.

Finance Officer Uehling was in to talk about budgets.

Public Health Nurse Chappell stopped in to discuss a possible new position in her office.

Commissioner Wallace and Roe attended an Airport Board meeting.

Friday, September 10, 2021

All Commissioners are in today.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Vera Pederson

Board of County Commissioners

Melanie Roe

Melanie Roe, Chairman

Date Approved: October 28, 2021

Vera Pederson

Attest: Vera Pederson, Clerk

